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1. The Basic Party Organization (POP) in the Medical Academy at Szczecin (Stettin) had lately increased pressure on those students who were members of the ZMP (Association of Polish Youth) in order to persuade them to apply for membership in the Party. It has been observed that students who had resisted this pressure had been penalized in various indirect ways, such as being marked down in examination results with a consequent decrease in scholarship allowances. Students nearing the end of their studies have been openly told that those who were not members of the Party could not hope for any preferential treatment in the allocation of jobs after they passed their final exams.
2. Male graduates, on passing their final exam, will not be required to attend a three-month period of military training. No equivalent requirement has so far been made regarding women.
3. In the past, the Ministry of Health, when allotting jobs, did not pay any attention to whether the graduates were married or not, with the result that married couples were often given employment in different localities. It has now been announced that in the future efforts would be made to employ married couples in the same locality.
4. One result of this measure was that several women students have lately married those of their colleagues who were likely to get practices in larger towns, in order to take advantage of the possibility of continuing their studies in hospitals.

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